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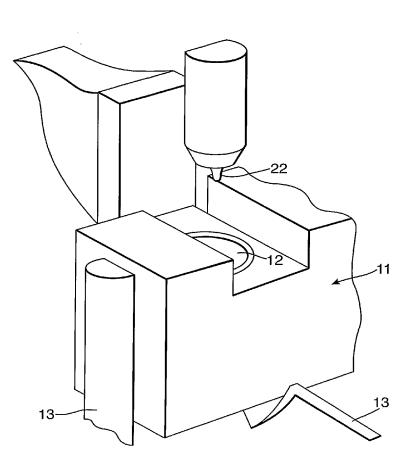
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(54) Title: METHOD FOR DISPENSING A FOOD PRODUCT



(57) Abstract: Ice cream is dispensed from an apparatus comprising holding means for an ice cream container under pressure. Actuating means open and close on request a valve of the ice cream container, thus delivering individual portions of ice cream.

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